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Program Areas	Improvement Plan			Anticipated Date of Completion
	*Required		Strategy	
	Yes	No		
Safety				
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Recurrence of Maltreatment	x		<p>Track severity of allegations, most repeats are general neglect:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Continued trackingTo be entered on referral logDevelop parent education model for General Neglect: Define minimal level of care. <p>If trend is correct , make greater use of substantial risk allegation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Supervisor, intake worker, and response worker to coordinate and monitor allegations.Train new workers on intake of referrals and data input into CWS/CMS.Develop consistent method of evaluation out response, for duplicate referrals. <p>Request assistance from RTa regarding clarification of the expected improvement from which statistic and time frame and by what timeframe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Clarification and assistance needed. <p><i>Data reports, Safe Measures and contact with county will be used to monitor progress</i></p>	<p>In progress</p> <p>12/31/04</p> <p>In progress</p> <p>12/31/04</p> <p>In progress</p> <p>8/17/04</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Abuse/Neglect in foster care		x		.

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<ul style="list-style-type: none">Timely ER Response (process measure)		x		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Social Worker Visits with child (process measure)		x	As of Jan 05, county reached compliance. Jan 04 and Oct 04 quarters were impacted by data issues.	
Permanency				
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Time to Reunification	x		<p>Balance early reunification with need for stabilizing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Involve family and friends for support system prior to outpatient recovery program.Family meetings included in case plan when appropriateSingle case plan worked out with client and all agencies providing support. <p>Provide closer collaboration, support, and services during early stages of recovery:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Social worker to have contact with substance abuse counselor, be involved in Recovery supportAssess need for respite care to avoid client becoming overwhelmed.Frequent monitoring and assessment of needs when children are returned to the family. <p>Source: Re-entry measure <i>Data reports, Safe Measures and contact with county will be used to monitor progress</i></p>	<p>Case by Case</p> <p>Case by Case</p>

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• Time to Adoption		x		
• Placement Stability		x	.	
• Foster Care re-entry		x	<p>Determine underlying cause of re-entry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Assess re-entry cause of past re-entries ▪ Use information on re-entries to strategize for improvement ▪ Social worker to work more closely with substance abuse counselor <p>Balance early reunification with need for stabilizing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Involve family and friends for support system prior to outpatient recovery program. ▪ Family meetings included in case plan when appropriate ▪ Single case plan worked out with client and all agencies providing support. <p>Provide closer collaboration, support, and services during early stages of recovery:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Social worker to have contact with substance abuse counselor, be involved in Recovery support ▪ Assess need for respite care to avoid client becoming overwhelmed. ▪ Frequent monitoring and assessment of needs when children are returned to the family. <p><i>Data reports, Safe Measures and contact with county will be used to monitor progress</i></p>	<p>Case by case</p> <p>Case by case</p> <p>Case by case</p>
Well-Being				

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preserving family relationships 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Least Restrictive Placements 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ICWA Placements 				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ILP 			Introduction and discussion of issue/importance of mentoring and outcome measures should be established: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Structure Program Establish short term/long term goals Create evaluation measures 	10/30/04
			Mission and objectives of program, i.e. increasing% of mentors from a variety of professional positions or retirees by a specific number (one for each ILp youth). Incorporating and fostering on-going mentoring efforts through the collaborative agencies and county, while attracting high quality individuals to the program: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Define characteristics and responsibilities of mentors 	10/30/04
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop training process and train those interested in serving as mentors Mentors to Demonstrate their ability and commitment to interact with youth 	1/31/04
			Individuals (male and female) need to be identified throughout the county who can act as mentors or resource advisors:	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Locate and contact individuals/groups to act as mentors (Scope Volunteers for Sheriff's Office). Develop the matching process-formation of mentor/mentee partnership. Development of a written contract/agreement between mentor/mentee <p><i>Contact with county will be used to monitor progress</i></p>	<p>10/30/04</p> <p>Case by case</p>
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Systemic				
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Statewide Information System				
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Case Review System				
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Quality Assurance System				
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Training				
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Service Array				
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Agency Responsiveness to the Community				
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Foster and Adoptive Parent Licensing, Recruitment and Retention				

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